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SUBJ: HANNA MINING INTEREST IN NICKLE-LATERITE DEPOSIT IVORY COAST

PASS: J.J. CUMBERLIDGE - HANNA MINING - 100 ERIEVIEW PLAZA

CLEVELAND, OHIO 44114 TEL: 216-523-3116

FOLLOWING IS TEXT MESSAGE LOCAL HANNA REP. ALLAN WOOD WOULD LIKE
CLEVELAND HOME OFFICE SEND GOIC, AUTHORITIES NOTED. PLEASE PASS
MESSAGE TO HANNA TELEGRAPHICALLY COLLECT. EXISTANCE DEPOSIT NOTED
HEREIN NO COMMON KNOWLEDGE, PLEASE TREAT INFO ACCORDINGLY.
BEGIN QUOTE:

TELEX

TELEX CIMAO 552 ABIDJAN, IVORY COAST

G.L. BERTHOUMIEUX

INGENIER EN CHEF DES MINES

DIRECTOR GENERAL DE LA SOCIETE

POUR LE DEVELOPPMENT DE MINES

COTE D'IVOIRE

COPY: PAUL GUI DIBO

MONSIEUR LE SECRETAIRE D'ETAT CHARGE DES MINES

HANNA MINERALS HOLDING LTD. A WHOLLY OWNED SUBSIDIARY OF THE

HANNAH MINING CO. WOULD LIKE TO EXPRESS INTEREST IN EXPLORING

WITH SODEMI A POTENTIAL NI LATERITE IN THE SIPILOU AREA BOUND

BY THE COORDINATES LAT. 7 48'N - 7 57'N AND LONG. 8 W -

7 53'W. THIS EXPLORATION COULD BE FORMULATED JOINTLY BY

SODEMI-HANNA AND MAY CONSIST OF THREE STAGES. 1) MAPPING,

GROUND MAGNETICS SURFACE AND SUBSURFACE SMPLING; 2)

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RECONNAISSANCE DRILLING; 3) DEVELOPMENT DRILLING STOP HANNA

REQUIRES A BRIEF PERIOD TO STUDY THE BASIC MINING/TAX LAWS AND INVESTMENT CODE OF THE IVORY COAST STOP A FAVORABLE INTERPRETATION WOULD RESULT IN HANNA MAKING A FORMAL WRITTEN EXPLORATION PROPOSAL TO THE MINISTER OF MINES AND SODEMI FOR NEGOTIATION AND WHEN WARRANTED AND EXPLOITATION PROPOSAL TO THE IVORIAN GOVERNMENT. HANNA'S POTENTIAL CONTRIBUTION TO EXPLORATION AND EXPLOITATION WOULD BE BOTH TECHNICAL AND FINANCIAL. ANY COMMENTS OR ADVICE THE IVORIAN GOVERNMENT OF ITS FUNCTIONS MIGHT OFFER TO EXPEDITE OR SIMPLIFY AND FUTURE NEGOTIATIONS ARE WELCOME STOP THAT'S ALL. MODIFY IF YOU WISH. SODEMI WILL SEND A COPY TO THE MINISTER. STOP COSTS: SODEMI INTENDS TO SPEND ABOUT 150,000 DOLLARS ON NI LATERITE THIS YEAR AND EARLY NEXT. I GUESS THAT 75 PERCENT OF THIS WOULD BE DIRECTED TOWARD SIPILOU. THE GENERAL SEPILOU AREA IS A RECTANGLE 14 KM NS AND 10 KM EW. SODEMI PLANS A GEOCHEMICAL AND MAGNETIC GRID ON LINES 500 M APART NS AND WITH SAMPLE/STATION INTERVALS OF 100 M EW OR 3000 SAMPLES. MAPPING AND 20 RECONNAISSANCE HOLES ARE ALSO PLANNED. THE GEOCHEMISTRY IS NOT NECESSARY AND MAGNETICS ARE ONLY NECESSARY ON THE FRINGES. DRILLING COSTS ARE HIGH 60 DOLLARS A METER PROBABLY BECAUSE OF INEFFICIENCY. OWN ESTIMATE FOR MAPPING SAMPLING PLUS THREE 40 M PITS RECONNAISSANCE FOR 4 MONTHS ABOUT 32,000 DOLLARS.

GOVERNMENT AND SODEMI ARE THINKING ONE MONTH FOR SOME KIND OF REACTION HOWEVER FEEBLE. WOOD UNQUOTE DECONTROL ON RECEIPT. SMITH

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